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For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF  
DELIVERY OF PHARMACEUTICAL  
AGENTS

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Examiner: M. Tsay

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated January 7, 2009 (Paper No. 20081230), for which a response was due on April 7, 2009. Filed herewith is a Petition and a fee for three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response up to and including July 7, 2009. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page **2** of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **16** of this paper.